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SUBJ: AMBASSADOR'S CONVERSATION WITH PRESIDENT SENGHOR:

INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION AND MIDDLE EAST ISSUES

1. SUMMARY: DURING TWO-HOUR PRIVATE DINNER WHICH HE GAVE FOR ANDRE COULBARY, HIS AMBASSADOR TO US, AND AMBASSADOR AND MRS. AGGREY, PRESIDENT SENGHOR COMMENTED ON VARIOUS AFRICAN, INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION, MIDDLE EAST AND INTERNAL SENEGALESE ISSUES. THIS MESSAGE DEALS WITH INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION AND MIDDLE EAST ISSUES. SENGHOR SAID APPARENT HARDENING OF SENEGALESE POSITION IN INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS HAD LED HIM TO SUMMON HIS UN AMBASSADOR FOR CONSULTATIONS. HE ALSO SAID HE HAD INSTRUCTED HIS UN AMBASSADOR AND FOREIGN MINISTER TO OPPOSE MOVES TO OUST ISRAEL FROM UN. HE CONTINUES URGE ALL PARTIES TO MODERATION IN MIDDLE EAST AND TO HOLD HIMSELF OPEN FOR CONTACTS WITH BOTH SIDES. HE
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NOTED SENEGALESE FIGURE HAD BEEN PROPOSED TO HEAD

ISLAMIC SECRETARIAT. PRESIDENT WAS NONCOMMITTAL ON KOREA. FINALLY HE AGAIN REITERATED HIS APPRECIATION OF US CONCESSIONS ON DC-LDC ISSUES, ACCEPTANCE OF THREE-COMMISSION PROPOSAL OF SECRETARY KISSINGER AND BELIEF GENERAL DISCUSSION OF PRINCIPLES STILL REQUIRED AT START ANY PRODUCER/CONSUMER CONFERENCE. END SUMMARY.

2. SENEGALESE ROLE IN UN. SENGHOR SAID REPORTS FROM MANY SOURCES THAT SENEGALESE POSITION IN INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS SEEMED TO HAVE HARDENED HAD LED HIM TO SUMMON AMBASSADOR TO UN MEDOUNE FALL TO DAKAR FOR CONSULTATIONS. I SAID I HOPED THIS CONSULTATION WOULD MEAN THAT SENEGAL WOULD HAVE A MODERATING INFLUENCE IN UN COUNCILS. I NOTED GREAT US CONCERN WITH THE TREND TOWARD EXPELLING ISRAEL FROM UN AND INDICATED THAT RESOLUTION WHICH HAD BEEN PUSHED THROUGH ISLAMIC FOREIGN MINISTERS CONFERENCE WAS MOST DISQUIETING DEVELOPMENT.

3. THE UN AND ISRAEL. SENGHOR AGREED AND SAID FOREIGN MINISTER ASSANE SECK AND AMBASSADOR MEDOUNE FALL HAVE BEEN INSTRUCTED TO OPPOSE IN AFRICAN AND OTHER COUNCILS RESOLUTIONS CALLING FOR ISRAEL OUSTER, SENEGAL BELIEVED IN UNIVERSALITY OF UN AND PRESIDENT SENGHOR HAD REITERATED IN TUNIS SENEGAL'S BELIEF THAT GUARANTEEING FUTURE OF ISRAEL AND OF A PALESTINIAN STATE WERE ESSENTIAL TO PEACE IN REGION.

4. MIDDLE EAST CONFLICT. HE HAD WRITTEN TO PLO LEADER ARAFAT AND PRIME MINISTER RABIN URGING THEM TO DO ALL IN THEIR POWER TO SUPPORT CURRENT INITIATIVES FOR PEACE SETTLEMENT. HE TOLD RABIN HE WOULD BE IN PARIS ON JULY 24 AND WOULD BE WILLING TO RECEIVE HIS ENVOY, BUT HE DOUBTED IF RABIN WOULD HONOR HIS OFFER. SENGHOR SAID HE CONSIDERED SADAT COURAGEOUS MAN WHO REALLY WENT OUT ON A LIMB IN HIS EFFORTS FOR PEACE, BUT PROBLEM OF ISRAELI LEADERS WAS THAT THEY SEEMED TO TRUST NOTHING BUT FORCE. SENEGAL WOULD TRY TO HAVE MODERATING ROLE, BUT MANY OF THESE ISSUES WERE FRAMED NOW IN TERMS OF FUNDAMENTAL THIRD-WORLD PRINCIPLES AND ADOPTED BY CONSENSUS. IT WOULD BE HELPFUL IF ISRAEL COULD TAKE A FEW MORE POSITIVE STEPS TO STRENGTHEN THE HAND

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OF MODERATE AFRICANS WHO DID NOT OPPOSE HER EXISTENCE.

5. SENEGALESE PROPOSED AS SECRETARY GENERAL ISLAMIC SECRETARIAT. PRESIDENT SENGHOR SAID ISLAMIC CONFERENCE HAS REQUESTED THAT PRESIDENT SENGHOR PERMIT KARIM GAYE, PRESENT PRESIDENT OF SENEGALESE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL AND A FORMER SENEGALESE FOREIGN MINISTER, TO BECOME SECRETARY GENERAL OF ISLAMIC SECRETARIAT. COMMENT: ONE OF PROBLEMS

SENGHOR HAD WITH GAYE AS FOREIGN MINISTER WAS THAT HE TENDED TO BE TOO PRO-ARAB. THUS FROM POINT OF VIEW OF ISLAMIC STATES HE MIGHT BE GOOD CHOICE, ESPECIALLY SINCE IT WOULD TEND TO BOX IN SENEGALESE ON ARAB-ISRAELI ISSUE. END COMMENT.

6. KOREA. I TOLD SENGHOR ANOTHER IMPORTANT ISSUE ON WHICH WE HOPED SENEGAL COULD HAVE A HELPFUL AND MODERATING ROLE WAS KOREAN QUESTION, ABOUT WHICH WE HAD TALKED FREQUENTLY IN PAST, AND WE WOULD AGAIN BE IN TOUCH WITH GOS WITH AIDE MEMOIRE ON POSITION WE HOPED THEY COULD SUPPORT. SENGHOR SAID KOREAN QUESTION AND PROBLEM OF FORMOSA WERE TWO REMAINING DIFFICULT ASIAN PACIFIC ISSUES. HE WOULD HEAR OUR VIEWS ON KOREAN ISSUE BUT HE COULD NOT MAKE COMMITMENT.

7. DC-LDC RELATIONS. ON COMMODITIES ISSUE, SENGHOR FEARED DEVELOPED AND DEVELOPING COUNTRIES WERE IN FOR ABOUT THREE YEARS OF NEGOTIATIONS. HE HAD BEEN ENCOURAGED BY THE RECENT CHANGES IN THE US POSITION THAT MOVED CLOSER TO MAIN CONCERN OF PRODUCER STATES. HE REPEATED STATEMENT HE MADE DURING ECHEVERRIA VISIT THAT HE ACCEPTED KISSINGER PROPOSAL OF COMMISSIONS AND OF DISCUSSING COMMODITIES, ONE BY ONE BEGINNING WITH ENERGY, BUT HE FELT THERE SHOULD BE GENERAL DISCUSSION OF PRINCIPLES AS PRELUDE TO DETAILED CONSIDERATIONS. AGGREY

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